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SUBJECT: UNESCO: REQUEST FOR NOMINATION OF EXPERT FOR

MEETING ON RACE, MONTREAL, JULY 10-14, 1978. 1. HEREWITH FOLLOWS OPERATIVE TEXT OF ADG HILDEBRANDT'S LETTER SS/HR/78/412/ADG UNDATED: "CONTAINED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THIS PROGRAMME ARE A SERIES OF STUDIES DEVOTED TO AN EXAMINATION OF THE HISTORICAL CIRCUMSTAN-CES IN WHICH THE IDEA OF RACE APPEARED AND SPREAD ITS INFLUENCE. COMBINING LINGUISTIC ANALYSIS WITH AN EXAMINATION OF THE HISTORICAL AND SOCIAL CONTEXT, THE REFLECTION WHICH THE SECRETARIAT PROPOSES TO UNDER-TAKE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVEALING THE ORIGINS OF RACIAL ATTITUDES AND PRACTICES, IN PARTICULAR, CALLS FOR AN EXPERTS MEETING TO CONDUCT A CRITICAL IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS OF THIS REFLECTION AND TO ESTABLISH A CERTAIN NUMBER OF RESEARCH AND STUDY PRIORITIES IN THIS FIELD. AT THE INVITATION OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD FROM 10 TO 14 JULY 1978 IN MONTREAL (CANADA) AT THE UNESCO PAVILLION AT THE "TERRE DES HOMMES" EXHIBITION; ABOUT TEN SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCE SPECIALISTS CHOSEN FOR THEIR COMPETENCE AND REPRESENTING THE MAJOR GEOGRAPHICAL AND CULTURAL UNCLASSIFIED

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REGIONS WILL BE PRESENT. THE PARTICIPANTS WILL TAKE PART IN THE MEETING IN A PERSONAL CAPACITY. IN VIEW OF THE INTEREST YOUR ORGANIZATION HAS SHOWN IN THIS FIELD, I VERY MUCH HOPE THAT IT WILL BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS MEETING. THEREFORE, I HAVE PLEASURE IN INVITING YOU, ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO SEND AN OBSERVER."

- 2. BOISSON OF SOCIAL SCIENCE SECTOR TOLD PERM DEL JUNE 21 THAT THE U.S. PARTICIPANT WHOM UNESCO WANTED TO PARTICIPATE HAS NOT ANSWERED THEIR INVITATION. HE REQUESTED PERM DEL TO EXPEDITE THE SELECTION OF AN AMERICAN PARTICIPANT. UNESCO WILL PAY TRAVEL AND PER DIEM.
- 3. PERM DEL SUGGESTS THAT IO/UNESCO MAY WISH TO INQUIRE IN ITS OWN FIELD OF CONTACTS TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT A QUALIFIED, AVAILABLE CONTACT WHO ALREADY HAS THE NECESSARY CLEARANCE MIGHT BE RECOMMENDED TO UNESCO. IF UNESCO CAN GET A CLEARED NAME FROM US, IT WILL ISSUE TRAVEL ORDERS AND SEND WORKING PAPERS IMMEDIATELY. TORRES

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